

By: Lucio

S.B. No. 1670

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of certain amateur boxing events.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 1<sup>through</sup>11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), are designated as Article 1 and a heading for that article is added to read as follows:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 2. Section 3, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by adding Subdivisions <sup>(12), (13), (14), (15), and</sup> (11)^(16) to read as follows:

(11) "Elimination tournament boxing promoter" means a person licensed by the department who arranges, advertises, or conducts an elimination tournament.

(12) "Elimination tournament" means a boxing contest in which elimination tournament contestants compete in a series of matches until only one contestant remains in each weight category.

(13) "Elimination tournament contestant" means a person who competes in an elimination tournament.

(14) "Championship tournament" means an international, state, regional, or national elimination tournament that allows the winners of another elimination tournament to compete for a championship in each weight category.

(15) "Regional tournament" means an elimination

1 tournament that allows an elimination tournament contestant from  
2 outside the immediate area where the tournament is held to compete  
3 against local tournament contestants.

4 (16) "Local tournament" means an elimination  
5 tournament that allows only a resident of this state to compete.

6 SECTION 3. Section 6A, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
7 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 Sec. 6A. BOXING GLOVES. Except as provided by Article 2 of  
10 this Act, in [in] any boxing contest, match, or exhibition  
11 conducted in this state, the contestants shall wear eight-ounce  
12 boxing gloves, unless the commissioner by rule requires or permits  
13 the contestants to wear heavier gloves.

14 SECTION 4. Section 7, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
15 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read  
16 as follows:

17 Sec. 7. AMATEUR ATHLETIC EVENTS. (a) The promoting,  
18 conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or  
19 exhibitions when conducted by educational institutions, law  
20 enforcement organizations, Texas National Guard Units, or amateur  
21 athletic organizations duly recognized by the commissioner shall be  
22 exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act  
23 provided that none of the participants in such contests or  
24 exhibitions receive a money remuneration, purse, or prize for their  
25 performance or services therein.

26 (b) None of the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act  
27 shall apply to or be enforced against:

1           (1) all nonprofit amateur athletic associations  
2 chartered under the laws of the State of Texas, including their  
3 affiliated membership clubs throughout the state which have been  
4 recognized by the commissioner;

5           (2) any contests, matches, or exhibitions between  
6 students of educational institutions which are conducted by a  
7 college, school, or university as part of the institution's  
8 athletic program;

9           (3) contests, matches, or exhibitions between members  
10 of any troop, battery, company, or units of the Texas National  
11 Guard or a law enforcement organization.

12           (c) When an admission fee is charged by any person  
13 conducting or sponsoring an amateur boxing contest, match, or  
14 exhibition, except those amateur events exempted in Section 7(b)  
15 herein, the gross receipts tax hereinafter provided in Section 11  
16 of this Act shall apply and must be paid by the sponsoring person.  
17 In addition, amateur boxing contests, except for elimination  
18 tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act, wherein an admission  
19 fee is charged shall be conducted under the following conditions:

20           (1) The commissioner must approve the contest, match,  
21 or exhibition at least seven days in advance of the event.

22           (2) All entries shall be filed with the amateur<sup>3</sup>  
23 organization at least three days in advance of the event. <sub>4</sub>

24           (3) The amateur organization shall determine the  
25 amateur standing of all contestants.

26           (4) The amateur contest, match, or exhibition shall be  
27 subject to the supervision of the commissioner, and all profits

1 derived from such contests shall be used in the development of  
2 amateur athletics.

3 (5) Only referees and judges licensed by the  
4 commissioner may participate in amateur contests, matches, or  
5 exhibitions.

6 (6) All contestants shall be examined by a licensed  
7 physician within a reasonable time prior to the event, and a  
8 licensed physician shall be in attendance at the ringside during  
9 the entire event.

10 (7) All professional boxers licensed under this Act  
11 are prohibited from participating in any capacity during an amateur  
12 contest, match, or exhibition.

13 SECTION 5. Section 8, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
14 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
15 amending Subsection (a) and <sup>by</sup> adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i) to  
16 read as follows:

17 (a) A person may not act as a boxing promoter or an  
18 elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been  
19 licensed by the department under this Act. A person may not act as  
20 a wrestling promoter until the person has registered with the  
21 secretary of state.

22 (g) The application for an elimination tournament boxing  
23 promoter's license shall be made on a form furnished by the  
24 commissioner and, except as provided in Subsection (h) of this  
25 section, shall be accompanied by:

26 <sup>Insert C.A. 10</sup>  
(1) a \$500 application fee;

27 (2) a surety bond in the amount of \$50,000 subject to

1 approval by the commissioner and conditioned on the payment of:

2 (A) the tax imposed under Section 11 of this  
3 Act; and

4 (B) any claim described by Subsection (e) of  
5 this section and made against the elimination tournament boxing  
6 promoter; and

7 (3) proof of accidental death or injury insurance  
8 coverage in the amount of at least \$10,000 for each elimination  
9 tournament contestant.

10 (h) The bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g)  
11 of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing  
12 promoter promoting an elimination tournament that:

13 (1) charges an admission fee; or

14 (2) awards a prize of money, trophy, prize, or any  
15 other item with a value of more than \$50 to a contestant winning an  
16 elimination tournament.

17 *Insert C.A. 1(2)*  
18 ~~(i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing~~  
~~promoter license is \$500.~~ 5/6

19 SECTION 6. Section 11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
20 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
21 amending Subsection (a) and <sup>by</sup> adding Subsection (d) to read as  
22 follows:

23 (a) Any person who conducts a boxing match, contest, or  
24 exhibition, including an elimination tournament, wherein an  
25 admission fee is charged shall furnish to the department within 72  
26 hours after the termination of the event a duly verified report on  
27 a form furnished by the department showing the number of tickets

1 sold, prices charged, and amount of gross receipts obtained from  
2 the event. A cashier's check or money order made payable to the  
3 State of Texas in the amount of three percent of the total gross  
4 receipts of the event shall be attached to the verified report.

5 (d) The department may audit a report filed under Subsection  
6 (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination  
7 tournament under this section.

8 SECTION 7. The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article  
9 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Article  
10 2 to read as follows:

11 ARTICLE 2. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS

12 Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) An elimination tournament  
13 may only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

14 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c) of this section, an  
15 elimination tournament contestant may not participate in more than  
16 one match during the first night of a two-night elimination  
17 tournament.

18 (c) An elimination tournament contestant in a championship  
19 tournament may not participate in more than two matches during the  
20 first night of a two-night championship tournament.

21 (d) Subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of  
22 this Act, an elimination tournament contestant may fight any number  
23 of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination  
24 tournament.

25 (e) Except as provided by Subsection (f) of this section,  
26 the elimination tournament boxing promoter may allow an elimination  
27 tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first

1 night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the  
2 second night.

3 (f) An elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out  
4 during an elimination tournament may not continue to compete in an  
5 elimination tournament.

6 (g) The standing-eight-count and the three-knock-down rules  
7 apply to an elimination tournament.

8 (h) A match in an elimination tournament consists of three  
9 rounds with each round lasting 60 seconds. There must be a minimum  
10 interval of 60 seconds between each round of a match.

11 (i) Each elimination tournament contestant must be matched  
12 randomly with an opponent from the same weight category during the  
13 preliminary round of an elimination tournament.

14 Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S  
15 RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) In addition to any other responsibilities,  
16 an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require that each  
17 elimination tournament contestant:

18 (1) use 16-ounce gloves;

19 (2) wear the following protective gear supplied by the  
20 elimination tournament boxing promoter:

21 (A) headgear approved by the department, except  
22 as provided by Subsection (b) of this section;

23 (B) a mouthpiece; and

24 (C) a groin guard or kidney-groin guard approved  
25 by the department;

26 (3) have no professional boxing experience;

27 (4) have, in the last five years, five or fewer boxing

1 match wins recognized by an amateur boxing organization recognized  
2 under department rules for this specific purpose;

3 (5) submit proof of proper training, including a  
4 written description of the elimination tournament contestant's  
5 training program for the 28 days before the date of the beginning  
6 of the first bout of the elimination tournament; and

7 (6) be a person who is 18 years of age or older but  
8 younger than 36 years of age.

9 (b) A local, regional, or championship elimination  
10 tournament is not subject to Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section  
11 if an elimination tournament boxing promoter notifies, under the  
12 rules of the department, the commissioner of the decision not to  
13 use approved headgear.

14 (c) An elimination tournament boxing promoter shall provide  
15 a ringside physician for an elimination tournament.

16 Sec. 17. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT RINGSIDE PHYSICIAN'S  
17 RESPONSIBILITIES. The ringside physician at an elimination  
18 tournament shall:

19 (1) perform, at the location of the tournament, a  
20 complete medical examination of each elimination tournament  
21 contestant before the tournament begins;

22 (2) offer solutions to the elimination tournament  
23 boxing promoter and each elimination tournament contestant  
24 regarding boxing-related medical problems;

25 (3) remain at ringside at all times during a scheduled  
26 match of an elimination tournament;

27 (4) examine each elimination tournament contestant



1 between each bout;

2 (5) perform a complete physical examination of each  
3 elimination tournament contestant remaining in an elimination  
4 tournament immediately before the second night of a two-night  
5 elimination tournament; and

6 (6) notify the elimination tournament boxing promoter  
7 immediately after disqualifying an elimination tournament  
8 contestant.

9 Sec. 18. PROOF OF NEGATIVE PREGNANCY TEST REQUIRED. A  
10 female elimination tournament contestant may not participate in an  
11 elimination tournament unless she provides the ringside physician  
12 with proof of a negative result pregnancy test.

13 Sec. 19. WEIGHT CATEGORIES. (a) An elimination tournament  
14 contestant may not compete in a weight category other than a  
15 category provided in this section.

16 (b) The weight categories for an elimination tournament are:

17 (1) less than 112 pounds;

18 (2) 112 pounds or more but less than 119 pounds;

19 (3) 119 pounds or more but less than 127 pounds;

20 (4) 127 pounds or more but less than 136 pounds;

21 (5) 136 pounds or more but less than 148 pounds;

22 (6) 148 pounds or more but less than 161 pounds;

23 (7) 161 pounds or more but less than 176 pounds;

24 (8) 176 pounds or more but less than 190 pounds; and

25 (9) 190 pounds or more.

26 (c) An elimination tournament contestant whose weight is  
27 within three percent of the minimum weight of the next heavier

1 weight category may compete in that heavier weight category.

2 Sec. 20. RING REQUIREMENTS. (a) Competition in an  
3 elimination tournament shall take place in a square ring with sides  
4 not less than 16 feet in length and not more than 24 feet in  
5 length.

6 (b) The floor of the ring must be 3/4-inch thick and must be  
7 padded with one-inch thick closed-cell foam material.

8 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 1995. *V/11*

9 *u* SECTION 9. The importance of this legislation and the  
10 *Q* crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an  
11 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the  
12 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several  
13 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

## BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

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### BACKGROUND

The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S.) governs the sport of kickboxing, wrestling, and boxing. The current law does not address elimination tournaments. The Department of Licensing and Regulation has adopted rules related to elimination tournaments, but it is uncertain whether the department has the authority to promulgate these rules. An attorney general's opinion has been requested on this matter.

### PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1670 includes certain regulatory measures for elimination tournaments in the Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act.

### RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 1-11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S. (Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act), by designating the sections as Article 1 and by adding a heading, as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 2. Amends Section 3, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by adding Subdivisions (11)-(16), to define "elimination tournament boxing promoter," "elimination tournament," "elimination tournament contestant," "championship tournament," "regional tournament," and "local tournament."

SECTION 3. Amends Section 6A, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to make a conforming change.

SECTION 4. Amends Section 7, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to require the promoting, conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or exhibitions, when conducted by law enforcement organizations, to be exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act. Provides an exception from certain conditions for elimination tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act wherein an admission fee is charged. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 5. Amends Section 8, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i), as follows:

(a) Prohibits a person from acting as an elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been licensed by the Department of Licensing and Regulation (department) under this Act.

(g) Requires the application for an elimination tournament boxing promoter's license to be made on a form furnished by the commissioner of licensing and regulation or a designated representative (commissioner) and to be accompanied by certain items.

(h) Provides that the bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g) of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing promoter promoting certain elimination tournaments.

- (i) Provides that the annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing promoter license is \$500.

SECTION 6. Amends Section 11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d), to authorize the department to audit a report filed under Subsection (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination tournament under this section. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 7. Amends Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by adding Article 2, as follows:

## ARTICLE 2. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS

Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) Authorizes an elimination tournament to only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

(b) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant from participating in more than one match during the first night of a two-night elimination tournament.

(c) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant in a championship tournament from participating in more than two matches during the first night of a two-night championship tournament.

(d) Authorizes an elimination tournament contestant, subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of this Act, to fight any number of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination tournament.

(e) Authorizes the elimination tournament boxing promoter to allow an elimination tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the second night.

(f) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out during an elimination tournament from continuing to compete in an elimination tournament.

(g) Provides that the standing-eight-count and the three-knock-down rules apply to an elimination tournament.

(h) Provides that a match in an elimination tournament consists of three rounds with each round lasting 60 seconds. Provides that there must be a minimum interval of 60 seconds between each round of a match.

(i) Requires each elimination tournament contestant to be matched randomly with an opponent from the same weight category during the preliminary round of an elimination tournament.

Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) Sets forth provisions an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require of each elimination tournament contestant.

(b) Provides that a local, regional, or championship elimination tournament is not subject to Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section if an elimination tournament boxing promoter notifies, under the rules of the department, the commissioner of the decision not to use approved headgear.

(c) Requires an elimination tournament boxing promoter to provide a ringside physician for an elimination tournament.

Sec. 17. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT RINGSIDE PHYSICIAN'S RESPONSIBILITIES. Sets forth requirements for the ringside physician at an elimination tournament.

Sec. 18. PROOF OF NEGATIVE PREGNANCY TEST REQUIRED. Prohibits a female elimination tournament contestant from participating in an elimination tournament unless she provides the ringside physician with proof of a negative result pregnancy test.

Sec. 19. WEIGHT CATEGORIES. (a) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant from competing in a weight category other than a category provided in this section.

(b) Sets forth the weight categories for an elimination tournament.

(c) Authorizes an elimination tournament contestant whose weight is within three percent of the minimum weight of the next heavier weight category to compete in that heavier weight category.

Sec. 20. RING REQUIREMENTS. (a) Requires competition in an elimination tournament to take place in a square ring with sides no less than 16 feet in length and no more than 24 feet in length.

(b) Requires the floor of the ring to be 3/4-inch thick and to be padded with one-inch thick closed-cell foam material.

SECTION 8. Effective date: September 1, 1995.

SECTION 9. Emergency clause.

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(In the Senate - Filed April 21, 1995; April 24, 1995, read first time and referred to Committee on Economic Development; May 9, 1995, reported favorably, as amended, by the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 9, 1995, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. 1

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(1) Amend S.B. No. 1670 by striking Subdivision (1) on page 4, line 26 (committee printing page 2, line 54), and replacing it with the following:

(1) an application fee not to exceed \$1,000;

(2) Amend S.B. No. 1670 by striking Subsection (i) on page 5, line 17 (committee printing page 3, line 2), and replacing it with the following:

(i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing promoter license shall not exceed \$1,000.

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(12) "Elimination tournament" means a boxing contest in which elimination tournament contestants compete in a series of matches until only one contestant remains in each weight category.

(13) "Elimination tournament contestant" means a person who competes in an elimination tournament.

(14) "Championship tournament" means an international, state, regional, or national elimination tournament that allows the winners of another elimination tournament to compete for a championship in each weight category.

(15) "Regional tournament" means an elimination tournament that allows an elimination tournament contestant from outside the immediate area where the tournament is held to compete against local tournament contestants.

(16) "Local tournament" means an elimination tournament that allows only a resident of this state to compete.

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Sec. 6A. BOXING GLOVES. Except as provided by Article 2 of this Act, in [in] any boxing contest, match, or exhibition conducted in this state, the contestants shall wear eight-ounce boxing gloves, unless the commissioner by rule requires or permits the contestants to wear heavier gloves.

SECTION 4. Section 7, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

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(b) None of the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act

shall apply to or be enforced against:

(1) all nonprofit amateur athletic associations chartered under the laws of the State of Texas, including their affiliated membership clubs throughout the state which have been recognized by the commissioner;

(2) any contests, matches, or exhibitions between students of educational institutions which are conducted by a college, school, or university as part of the institution's athletic program;

(3) contests, matches, or exhibitions between members of any troop, battery, company, or units of the Texas National Guard or a law enforcement organization.

(c) When an admission fee is charged by any person conducting or sponsoring an amateur boxing contest, match, or exhibition, except those amateur events exempted in Section 7(b) herein, the gross receipts tax hereinafter provided in Section 11 of this Act shall apply and must be paid by the sponsoring person. In addition, amateur boxing contests, except for elimination tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act, wherein an admission fee is charged shall be conducted under the following conditions:

(1) The commissioner must approve the contest, match, or exhibition at least seven days in advance of the event.

(2) All entries shall be filed with the amateur organization at least three days in advance of the event.

(3) The amateur organization shall determine the amateur standing of all contestants.

(4) The amateur contest, match, or exhibition shall be subject to the supervision of the commissioner, and all profits derived from such contests shall be used in the development of amateur athletics.

(5) Only referees and judges licensed by the commissioner may participate in amateur contests, matches, or exhibitions.

(6) All contestants shall be examined by a licensed physician within a reasonable time prior to the event, and a licensed physician shall be in attendance at the ringside during the entire event.

(7) All professional boxers licensed under this Act are prohibited from participating in any capacity during an amateur contest, match, or exhibition.

SECTION 5. Section 8, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i) to read as follows:

(a) A person may not act as a boxing promoter or an elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been licensed by the department under this Act. A person may not act as a wrestling promoter until the person has registered with the secretary of state.

(g) The application for an elimination tournament boxing promoter's license shall be made on a form furnished by the commissioner and, except as provided in Subsection (h) of this section, shall be accompanied by:

(1) a \$500 application fee;

(2) a surety bond in the amount of \$50,000 subject to approval by the commissioner and conditioned on the payment of:

(A) the tax imposed under Section 11 of this Act; and

(B) any claim described by Subsection (e) of this section and made against the elimination tournament boxing promoter; and

(3) proof of accidental death or injury insurance coverage in the amount of at least \$10,000 for each elimination tournament contestant.

(h) The bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g) of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing promoter promoting an elimination tournament that:

(1) charges an admission fee; or

(2) awards a prize of money, trophy, prize, or any other item with a value of more than \$50 to a contestant winning an

1 elimination tournament.

2 (i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing  
3 promoter license is \$500.

4 SECTION 6. Section 11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
5 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
6 amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsection (d) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (a) Any person who conducts a boxing match, contest, or  
9 exhibition, including an elimination tournament, wherein an  
10 admission fee is charged shall furnish to the department within 72  
11 hours after the termination of the event a duly verified report on  
12 a form furnished by the department showing the number of tickets  
13 sold, prices charged, and amount of gross receipts obtained from  
14 the event. A cashier's check or money order made payable to the  
15 State of Texas in the amount of three percent of the total gross  
16 receipts of the event shall be attached to the verified report.

17 (d) The department may audit a report filed under Subsection  
18 (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination  
19 tournament under this section.

20 SECTION 7. The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article  
21 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Article  
22 2 to read as follows:

23 ARTICLE 2. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS

24 Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) An elimination tournament  
25 may only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

26 (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c) of this section, an  
27 elimination tournament contestant may not participate in more than  
28 one match during the first night of a two-night elimination  
29 tournament.

30 (c) An elimination tournament contestant in a championship  
31 tournament may not participate in more than two matches during the  
32 first night of a two-night championship tournament.

33 (d) Subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of  
34 this Act, an elimination tournament contestant may fight any number  
35 of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination  
36 tournament.

37 (e) Except as provided by Subsection (f) of this section,  
38 the elimination tournament boxing promoter may allow an elimination  
39 tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first  
40 night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the  
41 second night.

42 (f) An elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out  
43 during an elimination tournament may not continue to compete in an  
44 elimination tournament.

45 (g) The standing-eight-count and the three-knock-down rules  
46 apply to an elimination tournament.

47 (h) A match in an elimination tournament consists of three  
48 rounds with each round lasting 60 seconds. There must be a minimum  
49 interval of 60 seconds between each round of a match.

50 (i) Each elimination tournament contestant must be matched  
51 randomly with an opponent from the same weight category during the  
52 preliminary round of an elimination tournament.

53 Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S  
54 RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) In addition to any other responsibilities,  
55 an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require that each  
56 elimination tournament contestant:

57 (1) use 16-ounce gloves;

58 (2) wear the following protective gear supplied by the  
59 elimination tournament boxing promoter:

60 (A) headgear approved by the department, except  
61 as provided by Subsection (b) of this section;

62 (B) a mouthpiece; and

63 (C) a groin guard or kidney-groin guard approved  
64 by the department;

65 (3) have no professional boxing experience;

66 (4) have, in the last five years, five or fewer boxing  
67 match wins recognized by an amateur boxing organization recognized  
68 under department rules for this specific purpose;

69 (5) submit proof of proper training, including a  
70 written description of the elimination tournament contestant's



training program for the 28 days before the date of the beginning of the first bout of the elimination tournament; and

(6) be a person who is 18 years of age or older but younger than 36 years of age.

(b) A local, regional, or championship elimination tournament is not subject to Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section if an elimination tournament boxing promoter notifies, under the rules of the department, the commissioner of the decision not to use approved headgear.

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(1) perform, at the location of the tournament, a complete medical examination of each elimination tournament contestant before the tournament begins;

(2) offer solutions to the elimination tournament boxing promoter and each elimination tournament contestant regarding boxing-related medical problems;

(3) remain at ringside at all times during a scheduled match of an elimination tournament;

(4) examine each elimination tournament contestant between each bout;

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**FAVORABLY AS AMENDED  
SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT ON**

**SB** SCR SJR SR HB HCR HJR 1670  
By Senator Lucio  
(Author/Senate Sponsor)  
5/9/95  
(date)

We, your Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, to which was referred the attached measure, have on May 9, 1995, had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back with the recommendation (s) that it:

- ☒ do pass with 1 amendments, and be printed  
( ) do pass with \_\_\_\_\_ amendments, and be ordered not printed  
( ) and is recommended for placement on the Local and Uncontested Bills Calendar.

A fiscal note was requested. ( ) yes ( ) no

A revised fiscal note was requested. ( ) yes ( ) no

An actuarial analysis was requested. ( ) yes ( ) no

Considered by subcommittee. ( ) yes ( ) no

The measure was reported from Committee by the following vote:

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	PNV
Senator David Sibley, Chair			✓	
Senator Peggy Rosson, Vice-Chair	✓			
Senator Rodney Ellis	✓			
Senator Chris Harris			✓	
Senator Tom Haywood	✓			
Senator Don Henderson			✓	
Senator John Leedom	✓			
Senator Eddie Lucio	✓			
Senator Frank Madla	✓			
Senator Jerry Patterson	✓			
Senator Florence Shapiro			✓	
TOTAL VOTES	7		4	

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

S260 Considered in public hearing

S270 Testimony taken

Barbara Henderson  
COMMITTEE CLERK

Peggy Rosson  
CHAIRMAN

Paper clip the original and one copy of this signed form to the original bill along with THREE signed copies of each committee amendment adopted  
Retain one copy of this form for Committee files

## BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

S.B. 1670  
By: Lucio  
Economic Development  
05-09-95  
Committee Report (Amended)

### BACKGROUND

The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S.) governs the sport of kickboxing, wrestling, and boxing. The current law does not address elimination tournaments. The Department of Licensing and Regulation has adopted rules related to elimination tournaments, but it is uncertain whether the department has the authority to promulgate these rules. An attorney general's opinion has been requested on this matter.

### PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1670 includes certain regulatory measures for elimination tournaments in the Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act.

### RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 1-11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S. (Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act), by designating the sections as Article 1 and by adding a heading, as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 2. Amends Section 3, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by adding Subdivisions (11)-(16), to define "elimination tournament boxing promoter," "elimination tournament," "elimination tournament contestant," "championship tournament," "regional tournament," and "local tournament."

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SECTION 4. Amends Section 7, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to require the promoting, conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or exhibitions, when conducted by law enforcement organizations, to be exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act. Provides an exception from certain conditions for elimination tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act wherein an admission fee is charged. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 5. Amends Section 8, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i), as follows:

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(g) Requires the application for an elimination tournament boxing promoter's license to be made on a form furnished by the commissioner of licensing and regulation or a designated representative (commissioner) and to be accompanied by certain items.

(h) Provides that the bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g) of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing promoter promoting certain elimination tournaments.

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SECTION 8. Effective date: September 1, 1995.

SECTION 9. Emergency clause.

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**74th Regular Session**

May 8, 1995

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Committee on Economic Development  
Senate  
Austin, Texas

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By: Lucio

FROM: John Keel, Director

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Source: Department of Licensing and Regulation  
LBB Staff: JK, LR, RR

From: S7510B1 --TXLCNJE Date and time 05/09/95 14:22:19

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Subject: SB1670\_ (BILL NO.) WITNESS - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
Revised: \_ WITNESS FORM  
74th Legislature

COMMITTEE: Economic Development  
BILL: sb1670\_

DATE: 05 09 95

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Representing: Sports Talent Enterprises			
City: San Antonio, TX	x	-	-
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5-3-95

Committee Amendment 1

By Lucio

✓ (1) Amend SB<sup>No.</sup> 1670 by striking subdivision (1) on page 4, line 26, and replacing it with the following:

(1) an application fee not to exceed \$1000;

(committee printing page, line )

✓ (2) Amend SB<sup>No.</sup> 1670 by striking subsection (i) on page 5, line 17, and replacing it with the following:

(2) (i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing promoter license shall not exceed \$1000.

ADOPTED

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AMEND THE CAPTION TO CONFORM  
TO THE BODY OF THE BILL

ADOPTED

MAY 10 1995

*John King*  
Secretary of the Senate

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May 10 1995 Engrossed  
Ratay Spaw  
Engrossing Clerk

I certify that this document is a true  
and correct copy of the engrossed Senate  
measure as it was received from the Senate  
and referred to the Committee on

Economic Development  
Cynthia Schubert

Chief Clerk of the House

By: Lucio  
(Rodriguez)

S.B. No. 1670

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of certain amateur boxing events.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 1 through 11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling  
Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), are designated  
as Article 1 and a heading for that article is added to read as  
follows:

ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 2. Section 3, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
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adding Subdivisions (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), and (16) to read  
as follows:

(11) "Elimination tournament boxing promoter" means a  
person licensed by the department who arranges, advertises, or  
conducts an elimination tournament.

(12) "Elimination tournament" means a boxing contest  
in which elimination tournament contestants compete in a series of  
matches until only one contestant remains in each weight category.

(13) "Elimination tournament contestant" means a  
person who competes in an elimination tournament.

(14) "Championship tournament" means an international,  
state, regional, or national elimination tournament that allows the  
winners of another elimination tournament to compete for a  
championship in each weight category.

1           (15) "Regional tournament" means an elimination  
2 tournament that allows an elimination tournament contestant from  
3 outside the immediate area where the tournament is held to compete  
4 against local tournament contestants.

5           (16) "Local tournament" means an elimination  
6 tournament that allows only a resident of this state to compete.

7           SECTION 3. Section 6A, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
8 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read  
9 as follows:

10          Sec. 6A. BOXING GLOVES. Except as provided by Article 2 of  
11 this Act, in [in] any boxing contest, match, or exhibition  
12 conducted in this state, the contestants shall wear eight-ounce  
13 boxing gloves, unless the commissioner by rule requires or permits  
14 the contestants to wear heavier gloves.

15          SECTION 4. Section 7, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
16 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read  
17 as follows:

18          Sec. 7. AMATEUR ATHLETIC EVENTS. (a) The promoting,  
19 conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or  
20 exhibitions when conducted by educational institutions, law  
21 enforcement organizations, Texas National Guard Units, or amateur  
22 athletic organizations duly recognized by the commissioner shall be  
23 exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act  
24 provided that none of the participants in such contests or  
25 exhibitions receive a money remuneration, purse, or prize for their

1 performance or services therein.

2 (b) None of the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act  
3 shall apply to or be enforced against:

4 (1) all nonprofit amateur athletic associations  
5 chartered under the laws of the State of Texas, including their  
6 affiliated membership clubs throughout the state which have been  
7 recognized by the commissioner;

8 (2) any contests, matches, or exhibitions between  
9 students of educational institutions which are conducted by a  
10 college, school, or university as part of the institution's  
11 athletic program;

12 (3) contests, matches, or exhibitions between members  
13 of any troop, battery, company, or units of the Texas National  
14 Guard or a law enforcement organization.

15 (c) When an admission fee is charged by any person  
16 conducting or sponsoring an amateur boxing contest, match, or  
17 exhibition, except those amateur events exempted in Section 7(b)  
18 herein, the gross receipts tax hereinafter provided in Section 11  
19 of this Act shall apply and must be paid by the sponsoring person.  
20 In addition, amateur boxing contests, except for elimination  
21 tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act, wherein an admission  
22 fee is charged shall be conducted under the following conditions:

23 (1) The commissioner must approve the contest, match,  
24 or exhibition at least seven days in advance of the event.

25 (2) All entries shall be filed with the amateur

1 organization at least three days in advance of the event.

2 (3) The amateur organization shall determine the  
3 amateur standing of all contestants.

4 (4) The amateur contest, match, or exhibition shall be  
5 subject to the supervision of the commissioner, and all profits  
6 derived from such contests shall be used in the development of  
7 amateur athletics.

8 (5) Only referees and judges licensed by the  
9 commissioner may participate in amateur contests, matches, or  
10 exhibitions.

11 (6) All contestants shall be examined by a licensed  
12 physician within a reasonable time prior to the event, and a  
13 licensed physician shall be in attendance at the ringside during  
14 the entire event.

15 (7) All professional boxers licensed under this Act  
16 are prohibited from participating in any capacity during an amateur  
17 contest, match, or exhibition.

18 SECTION 5. Section 8, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
19 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
20 amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i)  
21 to read as follows:

22 (a) A person may not act as a boxing promoter or an  
23 elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been  
24 licensed by the department under this Act. A person may not act as  
25 a wrestling promoter until the person has registered with the

1 secretary of state.

2 (g) The application for an elimination tournament boxing  
3 promoter's license shall be made on a form furnished by the  
4 commissioner and, except as provided in Subsection (h) of this  
5 section, shall be accompanied by:

6 (1) an application fee not to exceed \$1,000;

7 (2) a surety bond in the amount of \$50,000 subject to  
8 approval by the commissioner and conditioned on the payment of:

9 (A) the tax imposed under Section 11 of this  
10 Act; and

11 (B) any claim described by Subsection (e) of  
12 this section and made against the elimination tournament boxing  
13 promoter; and

14 (3) proof of accidental death or injury insurance  
15 coverage in the amount of at least \$10,000 for each elimination  
16 tournament contestant.

17 (h) The bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g)  
18 of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing  
19 promoter promoting an elimination tournament that:

20 (1) charges an admission fee; or

21 (2) awards a prize of money, trophy, prize, or any  
22 other item with a value of more than \$50 to a contestant winning an  
23 elimination tournament.

24 (i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing  
25 promoter license shall not exceed \$1,000.

SECTION 6. Section 11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

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tournament.

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Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S



1 RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) In addition to any other responsibilities,  
2 an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require that each  
3 elimination tournament contestant:

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5 (2) wear the following protective gear supplied by the  
6 elimination tournament boxing promoter:

7 (A) headgear approved by the department, except  
8 as provided by Subsection (b) of this section;

9 (B) a mouthpiece; and

10 (C) a groin guard or kidney-groin guard approved  
11 by the department;

12 (3) have no professional boxing experience;

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14 match wins recognized by an amateur boxing organization recognized  
15 under department rules for this specific purpose;

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17 written description of the elimination tournament contestant's  
18 training program for the 28 days before the date of the beginning  
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12 regarding boxing-related medical problems;

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# HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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By: Lucio  
(Rodriguez)

S.B. No. 1670

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of certain amateur boxing events.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

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2 tournament that allows an elimination tournament contestant from  
3 outside the immediate area where the tournament is held to compete  
4 against local tournament contestants.

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6 tournament that allows only a resident of this state to compete.

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11 this Act, in [fn] any boxing contest, match, or exhibition  
12 conducted in this state, the contestants shall wear eight-ounce  
13 boxing gloves, unless the commissioner by rule requires or permits  
14 the contestants to wear heavier gloves.

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16 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended to read  
17 as follows:

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19 conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or  
20 exhibitions when conducted by educational institutions, law  
21 enforcement organizations, Texas National Guard Units, or amateur  
22 athletic organizations duly recognized by the commissioner shall be  
23 exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act  
24 provided that none of the participants in such contests or  
25 exhibitions receive a money remuneration, purse, or prize for their



1 performance or services therein.

2 (b) None of the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act  
3 shall apply to or be enforced against:

4 (1) all nonprofit amateur athletic associations  
5 chartered under the laws of the State of Texas, including their  
6 affiliated membership clubs throughout the state which have been  
7 recognized by the commissioner;

8 (2) any contests, matches, or exhibitions between  
9 students of educational institutions which are conducted by a  
10 college, school, or university as part of the institution's  
11 athletic program;

12 (3) contests, matches, or exhibitions between members  
13 of any troop, battery, company, or units of the Texas National  
14 Guard or a law enforcement organization.

15 (c) When an admission fee is charged by any person  
16 conducting or sponsoring an amateur boxing contest, match, or  
17 exhibition, except those amateur events exempted in Section 7(b)  
18 herein, the gross receipts tax hereinafter provided in Section 11  
19 of this Act shall apply and must be paid by the sponsoring person.  
20 In addition, amateur boxing contests, except for elimination  
21 tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act, wherein an admission  
22 fee is charged shall be conducted under the following conditions:

23 (1) The commissioner must approve the contest, match,  
24 or exhibition at least seven days in advance of the event.

25 (2) All entries shall be filed with the amateur

1 organization at least three days in advance of the event.

2 (3) The amateur organization shall determine the  
3 amateur standing of all contestants.

4 (4) The amateur contest, match, or exhibition shall be  
5 subject to the supervision of the commissioner, and all profits  
6 derived from such contests shall be used in the development of  
7 amateur athletics.

8 (5) Only referees and judges licensed by the  
9 commissioner may participate in amateur contests, matches, or  
10 exhibitions.

11 (6) All contestants shall be examined by a licensed  
12 physician within a reasonable time prior to the event, and a  
13 licensed physician shall be in attendance at the ringside during  
14 the entire event.

15 (7) All professional boxers licensed under this Act  
16 are prohibited from participating in any capacity during an amateur  
17 contest, match, or exhibition.

18 SECTION 5. Section 8, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
19 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
20 amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i)  
21 to read as follows:

22 (a) A person may not act as a boxing promoter or an  
23 elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been  
24 licensed by the department under this Act. A person may not act as  
25 a wrestling promoter until the person has registered with the

1    secretary of state.

2        (g) The application for an elimination tournament boxing  
3 promoter's license shall be made on a form furnished by the  
4 commissioner and, except as provided in Subsection (h) of this  
5 section, shall be accompanied by:

6            (1) an application fee not to exceed \$1,000;

7            (2) a surety bond in the amount of \$50,000 subject to  
8 approval by the commissioner and conditioned on the payment of:

9            (A) the tax imposed under Section 11 of this  
10 Act; and

11           (B) any claim described by Subsection (e) of  
12 this section and made against the elimination tournament boxing  
13 promoter; and

14           (3) proof of accidental death or injury insurance  
15 coverage in the amount of at least \$10,000 for each elimination  
16 tournament contestant.

17        (h) The bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g)  
18 of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing  
19 promoter promoting an elimination tournament that:

20           (1) charges an admission fee; or

21           (2) awards a prize of money, trophy, prize, or any  
22 other item with a value of more than \$50 to a contestant winning an  
23 elimination tournament.

24        (i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing  
25 promoter license shall not exceed \$1,000.

SECTION 6. Section 11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(a) Any person who conducts a boxing match, contest, or exhibition, including an elimination tournament, wherein an admission fee is charged shall furnish to the department within 72 hours after the termination of the event a duly verified report on a form furnished by the department showing the number of tickets sold, prices charged, and amount of gross receipts obtained from the event. A cashier's check or money order made payable to the State of Texas in the amount of three percent of the total gross receipts of the event shall be attached to the verified report.

(d) The department may audit a report filed under Subsection (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination tournament under this section.

SECTION 7. The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Article 2 to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS

Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) An elimination tournament may only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

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1 tournament.

2 (c) An elimination tournament contestant in a championship  
3 tournament may not participate in more than two matches during the  
4 first night of a two-night championship tournament.

5 (d) Subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of  
6 this Act, an elimination tournament contestant may fight any number  
7 of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination  
8 tournament.

9 (e) Except as provided by Subsection (f) of this section,  
10 the elimination tournament boxing promoter may allow an elimination  
11 tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first  
12 night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the  
13 second night.

14 (f) An elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out  
15 during an elimination tournament may not continue to compete in an  
16 elimination tournament.

17 (g) The standing-eight-count and the three-knock-down rules  
18 apply to an elimination tournament.

19 (h) A match in an elimination tournament consists of three  
20 rounds with each round lasting 60 seconds. There must be a minimum  
21 interval of 60 seconds between each round of a match.

22 (i) Each elimination tournament contestant must be matched  
23 randomly with an opponent from the same weight category during the  
24 preliminary round of an elimination tournament.

25 Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S

1 RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) In addition to any other responsibilities,  
2 an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require that each  
3 elimination tournament contestant:

4 (1) use 16-ounce gloves;

5 (2) wear the following protective gear supplied by the  
6 elimination tournament boxing promoter:

7 (A) headgear approved by the department, except  
8 as provided by Subsection (b) of this section;

9 (B) a mouthpiece; and

10 (C) a groin guard or kidney-groin guard approved  
11 by the department;

12 (3) have no professional boxing experience;

13 (4) have, in the last five years, five or fewer boxing  
14 match wins recognized by an amateur boxing organization recognized  
15 under department rules for this specific purpose;

16 (5) submit proof of proper training, including a  
17 written description of the elimination tournament contestant's  
18 training program for the 28 days before the date of the beginning  
19 of the first bout of the elimination tournament; and

20 (6) be a person who is 18 years of age or older but  
21 younger than 36 years of age.

22 (b) A local, regional, or championship elimination  
23 tournament is not subject to Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section  
24 if an elimination tournament boxing promoter notifies, under the  
25 rules of the department, the commissioner of the decision not to

1 use approved headgear.

2 (c) An elimination tournament boxing promoter shall provide  
3 a ringside physician for an elimination tournament.

4 Sec. 17. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT RINGSIDE PHYSICIAN'S  
5 RESPONSIBILITIES. The ringside physician at an elimination  
6 tournament shall:

7 (1) perform, at the location of the tournament, a  
8 complete medical examination of each elimination tournament  
9 contestant before the tournament begins;

10 (2) offer solutions to the elimination tournament  
11 boxing promoter and each elimination tournament contestant  
12 regarding boxing-related medical problems;

13 (3) remain at ringside at all times during a scheduled  
14 match of an elimination tournament;

15 (4) examine each elimination tournament contestant  
16 between each bout;

17 (5) perform a complete physical examination of each  
18 elimination tournament contestant remaining in an elimination  
19 tournament immediately before the second night of a two-night  
20 elimination tournament; and

21 (6) notify the elimination tournament boxing promoter  
22 immediately after disqualifying an elimination tournament  
23 contestant.

24 Sec. 18. PROOF OF NEGATIVE PREGNANCY TEST REQUIRED. A  
25 female elimination tournament contestant may not participate in an

1 elimination tournament unless she provides the ringside physician  
2 with proof of a negative result pregnancy test.

3 Sec. 19. WEIGHT CATEGORIES. (a) An elimination tournament  
4 contestant may not compete in a weight category other than a  
5 category provided in this section.

6 (b) The weight categories for an elimination tournament are:

7 (1) less than 112 pounds;

8 (2) 112 pounds or more but less than 119 pounds;

9 (3) 119 pounds or more but less than 127 pounds;

10 (4) 127 pounds or more but less than 136 pounds;

11 (5) 136 pounds or more but less than 148 pounds;

12 (6) 148 pounds or more but less than 161 pounds;

13 (7) 161 pounds or more but less than 176 pounds;

14 (8) 176 pounds or more but less than 190 pounds; and

15 (9) 190 pounds or more.

16 (c) An elimination tournament contestant whose weight is  
17 within three percent of the minimum weight of the next heavier  
18 weight category may compete in that heavier weight category.

19 Sec. 20. RING REQUIREMENTS. (a) Competition in an  
20 elimination tournament shall take place in a square ring with sides  
21 not less than 16 feet in length and not more than 24 feet in  
22 length.

23 (b) The floor of the ring must be 3/4-inch thick and must be  
24 padded with one-inch thick closed-cell foam material.

25 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 1995.



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1           SECTION 9. The importance of this legislation and the  
2 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an  
3 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the  
4 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several  
5 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

# COMMITTEE REPORT

The Honorable Pete Laney  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

5-17-95  
(date)

Sir:

We, your COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

to whom was referred S.B. 1670 have had the same under consideration and beg to report back with the recommendation that it

- ☒ do pass, without amendment.  
☐ do pass, with amendment(s).  
☐ do pass and be not printed; a Complete Committee Substitute is recommended in lieu of the original measure.

- ☒ yes ☐ no A fiscal note was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no A criminal justice policy impact statement was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no An equalized educational funding impact statement was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no An actuarial analysis was requested.  
☐ yes ☒ no A water development policy impact statement was requested.  
☒ The Committee recommends that this measure be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars.

For Senate Measures: House Sponsor Rep. Ciro Rodriguez

Joint Sponsors \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_

The measure was reported from Committee by the following vote:

	AYE	NAY	PNV	ABSENT
Oliveira, Ch.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Yarbrough, V.C.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Davis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Luna	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Moffat				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Raymond	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Shields	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Solomons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Van de Putte	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

Total      8      aye  
              0      nay  
              0      present, not voting  
              1      absent

Rui O. Oliveira  
CHAIRMAN

## BILL ANALYSIS

Economic Development Committee  
S.B. 1670  
By: Lucio (Rodriguez)  
May 17, 1995  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### BACKGROUND

The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S.) governs the sport of kickboxing, wrestling, and boxing. The current law does not address elimination tournaments. The Department of Licensing and Regulation has adopted rules related to elimination tournaments, but it is uncertain whether the department has the authority to promulgate these rules. An attorney general's opinion has been requested on this matter.

### PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1670 includes certain regulatory measures for elimination tournaments in the Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act.

### RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 1-11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S. (Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act), by designating the sections as Article 1 and by adding a heading, as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 2. Amends Section 3, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by adding Subdivisions (11)-(16), to define "elimination tournament boxing promoter," "elimination tournament," "elimination tournament contestant," "championship tournament," "regional tournament," and "local tournament."

SECTION 3. Amends Section 6A, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to make a conforming change.

SECTION 4. Amends Section 7, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to require the promoting, conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or exhibitions, when conducted by law enforcement organizations, to be exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act. Provides an exception from certain conditions for elimination tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act wherein an admission fee is charged. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 5. Amends Section 8, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i), as follows:

(a) Prohibits a person from acting as an elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been licensed by the Department of Licensing and Regulation (department) under this Act.

(g) Requires the application for an elimination tournament boxing promoter's license to be made on a form furnished by the commissioner of licensing and regulation or a designated representative (commissioner) and to be accompanied by certain items.

(h) Provides that the bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g) of this section

apply only to an elimination tournament boxing promoter promoting certain elimination tournaments.

(i) Prohibits the annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing promoter license from exceeding \$1000.

SECTION 6. Amends Section 11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d), to authorize the department to audit a report filed under Subsection (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination tournament under this section. Makes a conforming change.

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Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) Authorizes an elimination tournament to only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

(b) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant from participating in more than one match during the first night of a two-night elimination tournament.

(c) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant in a championship tournament from participating in more than two matches during the first night of a two-night championship tournament.

(d) Authorizes an elimination tournament contestant, subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of this Act, to fight any number of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination tournament.

(e) Authorizes the elimination tournament boxing promoter to allow an elimination tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the second night.

(f) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out during an elimination tournament from continuing to compete in an elimination tournament.

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SECTION 8. Effective date: September 1, 1995.

SECTION 9. Emergency clause.

#### SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE ACTION

S.B. 1670 was considered by the committee in a formal meeting on May 17, 1995. S.B. 1670 was reported favorably without amendment, with the recommendation that it do pass and be printed and be sent to the Committee on Local and Consent Calendars, by a record vote of 8 ayes, 0 nays, 0 pnv, 1 absent.

# LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD

Austin, Texas

## FISCAL NOTE 74th Regular Session

May 16, 1995

TO: Honorable Rene O. Oliveira, Chair  
Committee on Economic Development  
House of Representatives  
Austin, Texas

IN RE: Senate Bill No. 1670,  
as engrossed  
By: Lucio

FROM: John Keel, Director

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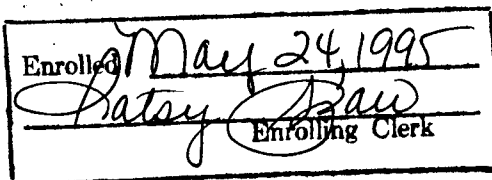
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11 athletic program;

12 (3) contests, matches, or exhibitions between members  
13 of any troop, battery, company, or units of the Texas National  
14 Guard or a law enforcement organization.

15 (c) When an admission fee is charged by any person  
16 conducting or sponsoring an amateur boxing contest, match, or  
17 exhibition, except those amateur events exempted in Section 7(b)  
18 herein, the gross receipts tax hereinafter provided in Section 11  
19 of this Act shall apply and must be paid by the sponsoring person.  
20 In addition, amateur boxing contests, except for elimination  
21 tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act, wherein an admission  
22 fee is charged shall be conducted under the following conditions:

23 (1) The commissioner must approve the contest, match,  
24 or exhibition at least seven days in advance of the event.

25 (2) All entries shall be filed with the amateur

1 organization at least three days in advance of the event.

2 (3) The amateur organization shall determine the  
3 amateur standing of all contestants.

4 (4) The amateur contest, match, or exhibition shall be  
5 subject to the supervision of the commissioner, and all profits  
6 derived from such contests shall be used in the development of  
7 amateur athletics.

8 (5) Only referees and judges licensed by the  
9 commissioner may participate in amateur contests, matches, or  
10 exhibitions.

11 (6) All contestants shall be examined by a licensed  
12 physician within a reasonable time prior to the event, and a  
13 licensed physician shall be in attendance at the ringside during  
14 the entire event.

15 (7) All professional boxers licensed under this Act  
16 are prohibited from participating in any capacity during an amateur  
17 contest, match, or exhibition.

18 SECTION 5. Section 8, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
19 (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
20 amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i)  
21 to read as follows:

22 (a) A person may not act as a boxing promoter or an  
23 elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been  
24 licensed by the department under this Act. A person may not act as  
25 a wrestling promoter until the person has registered with the

1 secretary of state.

2 (g) The application for an elimination tournament boxing  
3 promoter's license shall be made on a form furnished by the  
4 commissioner and, except as provided in Subsection (h) of this  
5 section, shall be accompanied by:

6 (1) an application fee not to exceed \$1,000;

7 (2) a surety bond in the amount of \$50,000 subject to  
8 approval by the commissioner and conditioned on the payment of:

9 (A) the tax imposed under Section 11 of this  
10 Act; and

11 (B) any claim described by Subsection (e) of  
12 this section and made against the elimination tournament boxing  
13 promoter; and

14 (3) proof of accidental death or injury insurance  
15 coverage in the amount of at least \$10,000 for each elimination  
16 tournament contestant.

17 (h) The bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g)  
18 of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing  
19 promoter promoting an elimination tournament that:

20 (1) charges an admission fee; or

21 (2) awards a prize of money, trophy, prize, or any  
22 other item with a value of more than \$50 to a contestant winning an  
23 elimination tournament.

24 (i) The annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing  
25 promoter license shall not exceed \$1,000.

1           SECTION 6. Section 11, Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act  
2           (Article 8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes), is amended by  
3           amending Subsection (a) and by adding Subsection (d) to read as  
4           follows:

5           (a) Any person who conducts a boxing match, contest, or  
6           exhibition, including an elimination tournament, wherein an  
7           admission fee is charged shall furnish to the department within 72  
8           hours after the termination of the event a duly verified report on  
9           a form furnished by the department showing the number of tickets  
10          sold, prices charged, and amount of gross receipts obtained from  
11          the event. A cashier's check or money order made payable to the  
12          State of Texas in the amount of three percent of the total gross  
13          receipts of the event shall be attached to the verified report.

14          (d) The department may audit a report filed under Subsection  
15          (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination  
16          tournament under this section.

17          SECTION 7. The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article  
18          8501-1, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes) is amended by adding Article  
19          2 to read as follows:

20                       ARTICLE 2. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS

21               Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) An elimination tournament  
22               may only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

23               (b) Except as provided by Subsection (c) of this section, an  
24               elimination tournament contestant may not participate in more than  
25               one match during the first night of a two-night elimination

1 tournament.

2 (c) An elimination tournament contestant in a championship  
3 tournament may not participate in more than two matches during the  
4 first night of a two-night championship tournament.

5 (d) Subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of  
6 this Act, an elimination tournament contestant may fight any number  
7 of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination  
8 tournament.

9 (e) Except as provided by Subsection (f) of this section,  
10 the elimination tournament boxing promoter may allow an elimination  
11 tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first  
12 night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the  
13 second night.

14 (f) An elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out  
15 during an elimination tournament may not continue to compete in an  
16 elimination tournament.

17 (g) The standing-eight-count and the three-knock-down rules  
18 apply to an elimination tournament.

19 (h) A match in an elimination tournament consists of three  
20 rounds with each round lasting 60 seconds. There must be a minimum  
21 interval of 60 seconds between each round of a match.

22 (i) Each elimination tournament contestant must be matched  
23 randomly with an opponent from the same weight category during the  
24 preliminary round of an elimination tournament.

25 Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S

1 RESPONSIBILITIES. (a) In addition to any other responsibilities,  
2 an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require that each  
3 elimination tournament contestant:

4 (1) use 16-ounce gloves;

5 (2) wear the following protective gear supplied by the  
6 elimination tournament boxing promoter:

7 (A) headgear approved by the department, except  
8 as provided by Subsection (b) of this section;

9 (B) a mouthpiece; and

10 (C) a groin guard or kidney-groin guard approved  
11 by the department;

12 (3) have no professional boxing experience;

13 (4) have, in the last five years, five or fewer boxing  
14 match wins recognized by an amateur boxing organization recognized  
15 under department rules for this specific purpose;

16 (5) submit proof of proper training, including a  
17 written description of the elimination tournament contestant's  
18 training program for the 28 days before the date of the beginning  
19 of the first bout of the elimination tournament; and

20 (6) be a person who is 18 years of age or older but  
21 younger than 36 years of age.

22 (b) A local, regional, or championship elimination  
23 tournament is not subject to Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section  
24 if an elimination tournament boxing promoter notifies, under the  
25 rules of the department, the commissioner of the decision not to



1 use approved headgear.

2 (c) An elimination tournament boxing promoter shall provide  
3 a ringside physician for an elimination tournament.

4 Sec. 17. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT RINGSIDE PHYSICIAN'S  
5 RESPONSIBILITIES. The ringside physician at an elimination  
6 tournament shall:

7 (1) perform, at the location of the tournament, a  
8 complete medical examination of each elimination tournament  
9 contestant before the tournament begins;

10 (2) offer solutions to the elimination tournament  
11 boxing promoter and each elimination tournament contestant  
12 regarding boxing-related medical problems;

13 (3) remain at ringside at all times during a scheduled  
14 match of an elimination tournament;

15 (4) examine each elimination tournament contestant  
16 between each bout;

17 (5) perform a complete physical examination of each  
18 elimination tournament contestant remaining in an elimination  
19 tournament immediately before the second night of a two-night  
20 elimination tournament; and

21 (6) notify the elimination tournament boxing promoter  
22 immediately after disqualifying an elimination tournament  
23 contestant.

24 Sec. 18. PROOF OF NEGATIVE PREGNANCY TEST REQUIRED. A  
25 female elimination tournament contestant may not participate in an

1 elimination tournament unless she provides the ringside physician  
2 with proof of a negative result pregnancy test.

3 Sec. 19. WEIGHT CATEGORIES. (a) An elimination tournament  
4 contestant may not compete in a weight category other than a  
5 category provided in this section.

6 (b) The weight categories for an elimination tournament are:

7 (1) less than 112 pounds;

8 (2) 112 pounds or more but less than 119 pounds;

9 (3) 119 pounds or more but less than 127 pounds;

10 (4) 127 pounds or more but less than 136 pounds;

11 (5) 136 pounds or more but less than 148 pounds;

12 (6) 148 pounds or more but less than 161 pounds;

13 (7) 161 pounds or more but less than 176 pounds;

14 (8) 176 pounds or more but less than 190 pounds; and

15 (9) 190 pounds or more.

16 (c) An elimination tournament contestant whose weight is  
17 within three percent of the minimum weight of the next heavier  
18 weight category may compete in that heavier weight category.

19 Sec. 20. RING REQUIREMENTS. (a) Competition in an  
20 elimination tournament shall take place in a square ring with sides  
21 not less than 16 feet in length and not more than 24 feet in  
22 length.

23 (b) The floor of the ring must be 3/4-inch thick and must be  
24 padded with one-inch thick closed-cell foam material.

25 SECTION 8. This Act takes effect September 1, 1995.

9/2/95

S.B. No. 1670

1           SECTION 9. The importance of this legislation and the  
2 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an  
3 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the  
4 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several  
5 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

\_\_\_\_\_  
President of the Senate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1670 passed the Senate on  
May 10, 1995, by a viva-voce vote.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1670 passed the House on  
May 24, 1995, by a non-record vote.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1673 passed the Senate on May 10, 1915, by the following vote: as voted - 100-00 Yeas     , Nays     .

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1673 passed the House on May 24, 1915, by the following vote: as voted - 100-00 Yeas     , Nays     .

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor

## BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center

S.B. 1670  
By: Lucio  
Economic Development  
6-30-95  
Enrolled

### BACKGROUND

The Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act (Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S.) governs the sport of kickboxing, wrestling, and boxing. The current law does not address elimination tournaments. The Department of Licensing and Regulation has adopted rules related to elimination tournaments, but it is uncertain whether the department has the authority to promulgate these rules. An attorney general's opinion has been requested on this matter.

### PURPOSE

As enrolled, S.B. 1670 includes certain regulatory measures for elimination tournaments in the Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act.

### RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Sections 1-11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S. (Texas Boxing and Wrestling Act), by designating the sections as Article 1 and by adding a heading, as follows:

#### ARTICLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION 2. Amends Section 3, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by adding Subdivisions (11)-(16), to define "elimination tournament boxing promoter," "elimination tournament," "elimination tournament contestant," "championship tournament," "regional tournament," and "local tournament."

SECTION 3. Amends Section 6A, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to make a conforming change.

SECTION 4. Amends Section 7, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., to require the promoting, conducting, or maintaining of boxing matches, contests, or exhibitions, when conducted by law enforcement organizations, to be exempt from the licensing and bonding provisions of this Act. Provides an exception from certain conditions for elimination tournaments subject to Article 2 of this Act wherein an admission fee is charged. Makes a conforming change.

SECTION 5. Amends Section 8, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsections (g), (h), and (i), as follows:

(a) Prohibits a person from acting as an elimination tournament boxing promoter until the person has been licensed by the Department of Licensing and Regulation (department) under this Act.

(g) Requires the application for an elimination tournament boxing promoter's license to be made on a form furnished by the commissioner of licensing and regulation or a designated representative (commissioner) and to be accompanied by certain items.

(h) Provides that the bonding and insurance requirements of Subsection (g) of this section apply only to an elimination tournament boxing promoter promoting certain elimination tournaments.

- (i) Prohibits the annual fee for an elimination tournament boxing promoter license from exceeding \$1000.

**SECTION 6.** Amends Section 11, Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d), to authorize the department to audit a report filed under Subsection (a) of this section made by a person conducting an elimination tournament under this section. Makes a conforming change.

**SECTION 7.** Amends Article 8501-1, V.T.C.S., by adding Article 2, as follows:

#### **ARTICLE 2. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENTS**

**Sec. 15. GENERAL PROVISIONS.** (a) Authorizes an elimination tournament to only be held as a one-night or two-night event.

(b) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant from participating in more than one match during the first night of a two-night elimination tournament.

(c) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant in a championship tournament from participating in more than two matches during the first night of a two-night championship tournament.

(d) Authorizes an elimination tournament contestant, subject to the medical restrictions of Section 17 of this Act, to fight any number of matches on the second night of a two-night elimination tournament.

(e) Authorizes the elimination tournament boxing promoter to allow an elimination tournament contestant who failed to win a match during the first night of a two-night elimination tournament to compete during the second night.

(f) Prohibits an elimination tournament contestant who is knocked out during an elimination tournament from continuing to compete in an elimination tournament.

(g) Provides that the standing-eight-count and the three-knock-down rules apply to an elimination tournament.

(h) Provides that a match in an elimination tournament consists of three rounds with each round lasting 60 seconds. Provides that there must be a minimum interval of 60 seconds between each round of a match.

(i) Requires each elimination tournament contestant to be matched randomly with an opponent from the same weight category during the preliminary round of an elimination tournament.

**Sec. 16. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT BOXING PROMOTER'S RESPONSIBILITIES.** (a) Sets forth provisions an elimination tournament boxing promoter shall require of each elimination tournament contestant.

(b) Provides that a local, regional, or championship elimination tournament is not subject to Subsection (a)(2)(A) of this section if an elimination tournament boxing promoter notifies, under the rules of the department, the commissioner of the decision not to use approved headgear.

(c) Requires an elimination tournament boxing promoter to provide a ringside physician for an elimination tournament.

**Sec. 17. ELIMINATION TOURNAMENT RINGSIDE PHYSICIAN'S RESPONSIBILITIES.** Sets forth requirements for the ringside physician at an elimination tournament.

**Sec. 18. PROOF OF NEGATIVE PREGNANCY TEST REQUIRED.** Prohibits a female elimination tournament contestant from participating in an elimination tournament unless she provides the ringside physician with proof of a negative result pregnancy test.

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(c) Authorizes an elimination tournament contestant whose weight is within three percent of the minimum weight of the next heavier weight category to compete in that heavier weight category.

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(b) Requires the floor of the ring to be 3/4-inch thick and to be padded with one-inch thick closed-cell foam material.

**SECTION 8.** Effective date: September 1, 1995.

**SECTION 9.** Emergency clause.

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**74th Regular Session**

May 16, 1995

TO: Honorable Rene O. Oliveira, Chair  
Committee on Economic Development  
House of Representatives  
Austin, Texas

IN RE: Senate Bill No. 1670,  
as engrossed  
By: Lucio

FROM: John Keel, Director

In response to your request for a Fiscal Note on Senate Bill No. 1670 (Relating to the regulation of certain amateur boxing events.) this office has determined the following:

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

The bill would require the Department of Licensing and Regulation to license amateur boxing elimination contestants and promoters. It is assumed that there would be 4 promoters and 300 contestants licensed by the department. The bill would set promoter application fees and promoter license fees not to exceed \$1,000. Contestant fees would be set at \$150. Fees would be deposited into the general revenue fund.

The probable fiscal implication of implementing the provisions of the bill during each of the first five years following passage is estimated as follows:

Fiscal Year	Probable Cost Out of General Revenue Fund 001	Probable Revenue Gain to General Revenue Fund 001	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 1995
1996	\$46,634	\$49,000	1.0
1997	44,468	49,000	1.0
1998	44,468	49,000	1.0
1999	44,468	49,000	1.0
2000	44,468	49,000	1.0

Similar annual fiscal implications would continue as long as the provisions of the bill are in effect.

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source: Department of Licensing and Regulation  
LBB Staff: JK, LR, RR



**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**74th Regular Session**

May 9, 1995

TO: Honorable David Sibley, Chair  
Committee on Economic Development  
Senate  
Austin, Texas

IN RE: Senate Bill No. 1670,  
as amended  
By: Lucio

FROM: John Keel, Director

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LBB Staff: JK, LR, RR

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**74th Regular Session**

May 8, 1995

TO: Honorable David Sibley, Chair  
Committee on Economic Development  
Senate  
Austin, Texas

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By: Lucio

FROM: John Keel, Director

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The probable fiscal implication of implementing the provisions of the bill during each of the first five years following passage is estimated as follows:

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Source: Department of Licensing and Regulation  
LBB Staff: JK, LR, RR

SB 1670

SB No. LucioBy Lucio

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT:

Relating to the regulation of certain amateur boxing events.

4-24-95  
APR 24 1995  
MAY 09 1995  
~~MAY 09 1995~~

Filed with the Secretary of the Senate  
 Read and referred to Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
 Reported favorably as amended  
 Reported adversely, with favorable Committee Substitute; Committee Substitute read first time.  
 Ordered not printed  
 Laid before the Senate  
MAY 10 1995 Senate and Constitutional Rules to permit consideration suspended by: unanimous consent  
MAY 10 1995 Read second time, amended, and ordered engrossed by: unanimous consent  
MAY 10 1995 Senate and Constitutional 3 Day Rule suspended by a vote of 31 yeas, 0 nays.  
MAY 10 1995 Read third time, \_\_\_\_\_, and passed by: A viva voce vote

Betty King  
 SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

## OTHER ACTION:

MAY 10 1995 Engrossed  
5-10-95 Sent to House  
 Engrossing Clerk Latey Saw  
MAY 10 1995 Received from the Senate  
MAY 12 1995 Read first time and referred to Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
5-17-95 Reported \_\_\_\_\_ favorably (~~as amended~~) (~~as substituted~~)  
MAY 18 1995 Sent to Committee on (~~Calendars~~) (Local & Consent Calendars)  
MAY 24 1995 Read second time (~~comm. subst.~~) (amended); passed to third reading (~~failed~~) by a (non-record vote) (~~record vote of~~ \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)  
 Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended (failed to suspend) by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting.  
MAY 24 1995 Read third time (amended); finally passed (~~failed to pass~~) by a (non-record vote) (~~record vote of~~ \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays, \_\_\_\_\_ present, not voting)  
MAY 24 1995 Returned to Senate.  
MAY 24 1995 Returned from House without amendment.  
 Returned from House with \_\_\_\_\_ amendments.  
 Concurred in House amendments by a viva voce vote \_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays.

Cynthia Gehardt  
 CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

\_\_\_\_\_ Refused to concur in House amendments and requested the appointment of a Conference Committee to adjust the differences.

\_\_\_\_\_ Senate conferees instructed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Senate conferees appointed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman; \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ House granted Senate request. House conferees appointed: \_\_\_\_\_, Chairman;  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference Committee Report read and filed with the Secretary of the Senate.

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference Committee Report adopted on the part of the House by: \_\_\_\_\_

{ a viva voce vote  
\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference Committee Report adopted on the part of the Senate by:

{ a viva voce vote  
\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays

**OTHER ACTION:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Recommitted to Conference Committee

\_\_\_\_\_ Conferees discharged.

\_\_\_\_\_ Conference Committee Report failed of adoption by: \_\_\_\_\_

{ a viva voce vote  
\_\_\_\_\_ yeas, \_\_\_\_\_ nays